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SUBJECT: CYPRIOT REQUEST FOR USG ASSISTANCE RE SIBAI
ASSASSINS

REF: A) NICOSIA 1998, B) CAIRO 17568

1. BOTH IN ROLANDIS-GHALI CONVERSATIONS (PARA 3, REFTEL A)
AND IN EARLIER DISCUSSION OF SUBJECT WITH SADAT (REFTEL B),
GOE MADE CLEAR ITS DISINCLINATION EITHER TO AGREE TO
CYPRIOT PROPOSAL FOR COMMUTATION OF SENTENCES FOR SIBAI
ASSASSINS OR TO MEET WITH KYPRIANOU FURTHER TO DISCUSS
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2. FROM POLICY POINT OF VIEW, USG HAS NO INTEREST IN
FURTHERING ACTIVITY AIMED ULTIMATELY AT EASING LOT OF CON-
VICTED TERRORISTS. THUS, WHILE WE RECOGNIZE GOC'S DI-
LEMMA, IT WOULD BE INCONSISTENT FOR US TO ENCOURAGE GOE
TO SOFTEN ITS POSITION ON HOW THIS MATTER SHOULD BE RE-
SOLVED. ACCORDINGLY, EMBASSY SHOULD INFORM ROLANDIS THAT
USG WILL NOT PLAY REQUESTED INTERMEDIARY ROLE. CHRISTOPHER

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